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## Student Government announces candidates

*Two newly formed parties vie for presidency, executive control*

Sara M. McIntosh

Students will choose their representatives for Student Government Association by casting their ballots for candidates they deem to be indicative of their own personal beliefs regarding the betterment of the campus on April 11 and 12.

Two candidates representing two newly formed parties will face off for SGA president. Former Sen. Erin Chambers, who was unsuccessful in last year's campaign against James Orr, opposes Becky Dykes, who currently serves as the Executive Assistant to the Executive Council.

Chambers heads the Student Voice Party and Dykes represents the YOUTM Party.

Student relations, creation of "more appointed student positions to support diversity" in SGA and the creation of a "Student Advisory Panel for UT System President" are the three topics of improvement dis-

cussed within the Student Voice platform.

The improvement of "all aspects of student life," making SGA "run more smoothly and more adequately meet the demands of the student body," and continue the Executive Council's "strong presence on campus" are the elements of the YOUTM platform.

Chambers said in her provided biography, required by SGA, that "The most important asset we have as students is our voice and we can use it to achieve change." She served as a Senator for the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, a member of the Freshmen Council and served on an unspecified committee with Chancellor Dunagan.



Chambers



Dykes

In Dyke's biography, she states that she has been actively involved with SGA as she

served as a Justice on the

Student Court and as an Executive Assistant to the Executive Council. She feels this experience with SGA has made her "capable of leading the Student Government Association in the upcoming year."

Grayson Uldrich is running as the unopposed Vice President candidate from the YOUTM Platform. Uldrich's SGA career began on the Freshman Council as the Chairman of the Procedures Committee. This year, Uldrich served as a Senator for the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences as well as a member of the Procedures Committee, according to

his biography. Amelia Kosta, also representing Student Voice, is running for Secretary General. Kosta has served in SGA for two years as a Senator in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts. During this time, she served on the Multicultural Affairs Committee and currently serves as Chairperson. Kosta is "very excited about what SGA is doing and will continue to do" and "hopes[ ] to serve the student body once again."

Kyle Kragenbrink is running for Secretary General on the YOUTM ballot. According to his biography, he was involved in Freshman Council and served as a Senator from the College of Engineering and Natural Science this year. He said that he "loved every minute" of his time in SGA and wants to "continue his involvement by running for Secretary General."

Two new student positions were created that

would allow for student representation at the Board of Trustees Meetings and elections for these two-year terms will occur during the SGA elections. Five students are running for these positions with three also running for Senator in SGA. In order to qualify for this position, candidates should be in their freshmen or sophomore year and maintain a good academic standing with the university.

According to the current SGA President James Orr, five students have entered their name for this position. The Pacer received biographies from four of these five candidates and regrets the omission of the remaining candidate information.

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### Web Extra

For in-depth election coverage, including full text of party platforms, go to [utmpacer.com](http://utmpacer.com)

## Athletics fee, food services top SGA agenda

Sara M. McIntosh

Issues like the prospective athletics fee increase and food services committee, chancellor and student organization coordinator searches were discussed at last Thursday's Student Government Association meeting.

The athletics fee is moving forward with SGA President James Orr appointing a committee to help "spread the word" about this referendum. Members of this committee will consist of members from SGA as well as other campus groups so that they "can reach out to all students about this information," said Orr. The sole responsibility of this committee is to create and place an ad in The Pacer that is meant to educate the students on this referendum.

Orr signed this proposal to go in as a referendum for the upcoming elections because he felt that "it was something the student body should vote for or against." The concept for the student vote came from the Procedures Committee and Orr sided with their recommendation.

After some revisions were made, a Food Services Committee was approved. Orr said that this committee was "to better suit the students."

Information regarding the upcoming student forum taking place April 9-12 at 7:30 p.m. was given. According to Orr, 67 applicants will be screened with the hopes of narrowing the number down to just five candidates.

"The student forums are important for students. You can evaluate these candidates, ask questions and get important feedback. We're really going to listen. We have to get feedback from students on our next chancellor," Orr said.

This week and next week,

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## International programs offer food for thought

Staff Reports

The public is invited to sample foods from a variety of countries at the 32nd Annual International Food Fair, noon-1 p.m., April 3, in Duncan Ballroom in the UC.

The Office of International Admissions and Tennessee Intensive English Program is sponsoring the event to give UTM's international community the opportunity to share a part of their cultures with faculty, staff, students and local residents. Students from Africa, the Middle East, Europe, the Americas and Asia will prepare food from their native countries. Groups usually prepare small portions so guests can sample many different dishes at a nominal cost. Soft drinks and bottled water will be available. The students are encouraged to wear native dress, and some groups include recorded music in their presentations.

Percussion performances are planned by Dr. Julie Hill and members of the UT Martin Percussion Ensemble, and special guest

performer, Dr. Evaristo Aguilar, from Universidad Autonoma de Tamaulipas in Tampico, Mexico. Music from Egypt, Italy, Africa, Mexico and Brazil will be featured.

"The International Food Fair is the highlight of the year for international programs faculty, staff and students," said John Mathenia, UTM instructor of English as a Second

Language. "It takes a lot of preparation and work to put it all together, but it is a labor of love. We all share the work and have a great time at the food fair." He added, "This year, we are excited to have Dr. Hill and her percussion students, as well as, Dr. Aguilar provide great music. This is the first time we have had music performed as part of the event."

As part of International Week, an international percussion participative workshop and international student forum are among events scheduled for the University of Tennessee at Martin's International Week. All events are on UT Martin's campus.

The UT Martin Center for Global Studies and International Education and Percussion Studio are co-sponsoring a workshop from 5:30-7 p.m., April 2, in Watkins Auditorium. The work-

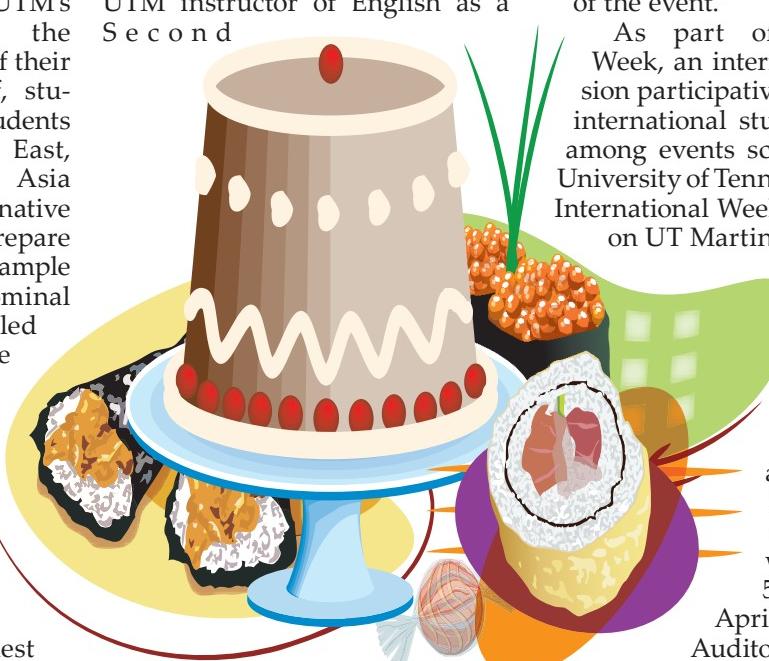
shop will also be led by Evaristo Aguilar, and participants will prepare a selection with Aguilar.

The forum is co-sponsored by the Center for Global Studies and International Education, the Student Government Association and the International Student Association. It is slated for 8-9 p.m., April 3, in Room 111, of Boling University Center and will feature an international student panel discussing current topics such as the Korean standoff and issues related to Iran and Iraq.

Each event is free and open to the public.

### If you go:

- 32nd annual International Food Fair: Noon - 1 p.m. April 3 Duncan Ballroom
- Percussion workshop: 5:30 - 7 p.m., April 2 Watkins Auditorium



## Martin Police make arrest for vandalism of Skyhawk Apartment door

David Hampton

The sound of shattering glass in a Skyhawk Manor apartment during the pre-dawn hours of Sunday morning led to the discovery of an act of vandalism, and later Sunday evening to the offender.

Andrea L. Hartsfield, 22, of South Fulton, Tenn., attended General Sessions court Monday after confessing to damaging property at Skyhawk Manor apartments this weekend

at 534 Lee St.

Jason L. Coleman, 22, the resident of the apartment, reported an act of vandalism after hearing the sound of shattering glass in his apartment on Sunday, March 25 at about 4 a.m. Coleman went to investigate and minutes later called the police and reported the incident. Officer Bradley R. Cook responded.



Hartsfield

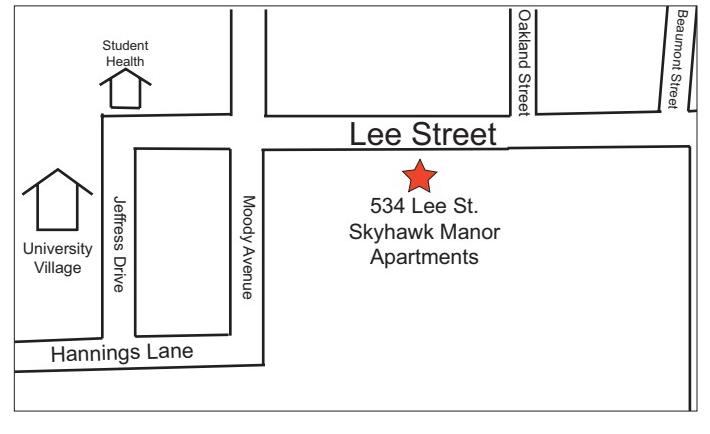
Coleman told Cook that after hearing the noise, he checked his front door and observed that a large rock had been thrown through the window of the door. Upon further investigation, a large rock was found inside the curtains that hung on the door.

Cook estimated the damage to the property at approximately \$250. Weakley County General

At approximately 7 p.m. the following day, Martin Police Department Lt. James R. Hatler made contact with Hartsfield at the Martin Police Department for the purpose of conducting a voluntary interview. After being given her Miranda warning, Hartsfield freely confessed to damaging the apartment door with the rock, which was found at the scene of the incident. Afterwards, she was arrested and referred to Weakley County General

Sessions Court. Results of her arraignment were not available as of press time

Monday. A signed written statement was also attained from Hartsfield.



### TUESDAY WEATHER

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# Viewpoints

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### Our View

## Editorial: You paid how much for that?

H ave you ever sat down in the bathroom and forgotten where you were? Neither have we.

Because The Pacer staff lives on the third floor of Gooch Hall, we noticed that the university has replaced the toilet paper and paper towel dispensers in our building (across campus as well?), complete with UT Martin Skyhawks in big orange letters across the top.

Not that we need to be reminded where we are, or that we need a dose of school spirit while answering the calls of nature.

If all dispensers across campus were replaced in the same fashion, then maybe the campus is spending money on a less-than-necessary upgrade. Some upgrades, like the elevator in the Humanities building, are essential. But do we really need new couches in the lobby of Gooch Hall? Or how about all the money spent on flowers, grass seed and mulch every spring? We want the campus to look nice, but we hope it occurs in a cost-effective way.

We know that UTM students should take pride

in their campus, and the campus needs to make a good first impression on visitors, but, every once in a while, how UTM spends money leaves us scratching our heads.

The Pacer would like for the people who have control of the purse strings to stop and think before making such a silly purchase as personalized dispensers.

We do like the dispensers because they're easier to use, but was the lettering really necessary?

We think not, especially in tough financial times. Athletics can barely afford to keep its staff, and had to go to SGA for a fee increase, but the university can afford to do the same maintenance work repeatedly? Maybe it's time for UTM to get its financial priorities straight.

Ending on a lighter note, we can't speak for the rest of the campus, but we would rather have cheaper toilet paper dispensers and much higher quality toilet paper.

Nothing ruins the day quite like tidying ourselves up with the equivalent of sandpaper.

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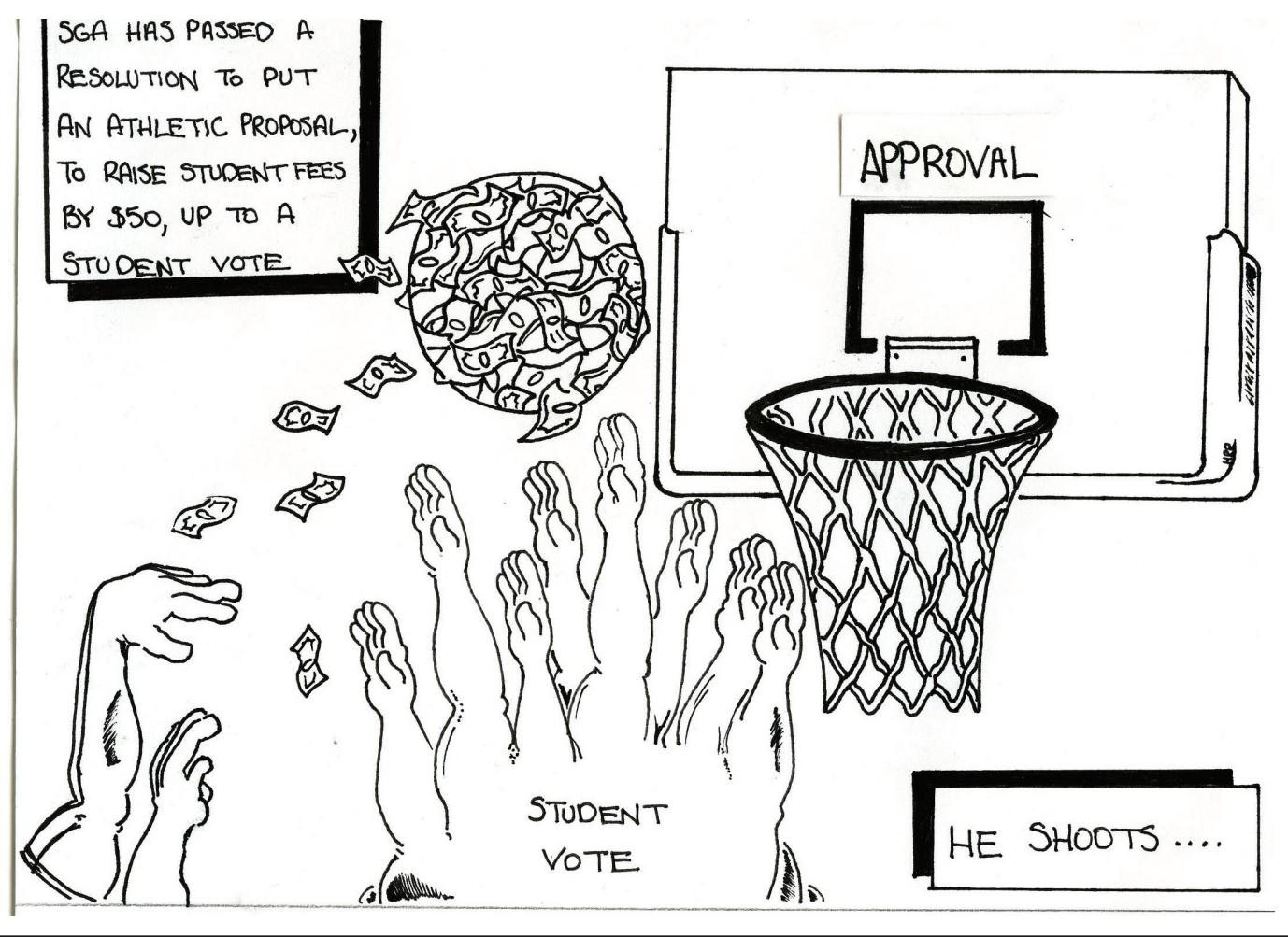
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## Personal growth requires embracing changes

Through the course of my time in writing a column for *The Pacer* and columns for various other papers and online communities, I have spoken on a wide variety of things, but underneath every column, every "blog," everything that I write is a message of personal growth and change.

As I read some of the responses, I often wonder "why" and the answer to that question only leaves me scratching my head.

One of the reasons that I took this job of columnist here at *The Pacer* is because I truly believed that college is the one place where minds are a little more open, a little wider than the average person's and a place where my radical ideas of individual thinking, fair-mindedness and daring to be different would find kindred spirits.

The reality sets in every time I read a response that attacks the examples I use to illustrate a point and not the point itself.

The reality is that many come to college with pre-conceived ideas and work to either maintain those ideas or find a way to reinforce them so that they will be maintained in the "work-a-day world."

In the course of my columns, I have spoken on the health benefits of vegetarianism, the dangers of blindly following advertising, the shrinking rights of many minorities and most recently, discrimination.

These topics have touched a few people and have caused some great debates in other online forums and I'm thankful for that but I still find myself wondering "why."

College is a place where different ideas are the cornerstone of education. Different ways of thinking about everyday concepts and ideas are taught in almost every classroom on this campus.

How many times have you heard a professor speak about a subject that may seem ordinary and then they give an example of how extraordinary that concept is?

Not to name-drop here, but Dr. Maynard does it in her Sociology classes almost every day. Dr. Bradshaw challenges his students with thinking outside the box on a regular basis and there are countless others with the same goal for their students.

So why is it that we cling so strongly to the same ideas and notions we came to college with to spite being confronted with so many chances to change them? As I was sitting down to write this week's column, the answer came to me. Security. Safety. Familiarity.

Change is scary, often disconcerting, and not something we do readily or easily. Change is a powerful thing that not all are really ready for. I talk about change as much as



**Christian Ashlar**  
Staff Columnist

I do because I feel it is a necessary part of growing as a person and becoming something much more than who we are, right now.

In my last column, I encouraged people to "learn about the world you live in and about the inhabitants of that world" and said that it was time that we all "lay aside our own fragility of self" and while I still believe that to be the case, the reasoning behind why we don't is because the very idea is frightening to most.

It's scary to step outside our comfort zones and try something new.

College classrooms are the safest environments for change that you could possibly find. As I've stated earlier, professors are always encouraging their students to think beyond the conventional parameters and to expand their thoughts and ideas.

Expansion can be a very frightening thing. Think of the early settlers of the West who left the comforts of their known life and surroundings for the unknown wilderness.

It's sometimes hard to imagine ourselves as pioneers but with each new encounter we face, that's exactly what we are. With every confrontation with

something new, we have the same opportunity to expand in a positive way in much the same way as those early pioneers – and with a lot less bloodshed in the process.

There are a few weeks left in this semester and I plan to tackle a few more radical subjects in upcoming columns. I haven't given up on the idea that change is a good thing if the benefits outweigh the drawbacks. I firmly believe that shifting our thinking from that which is comfortable to that which is personally beneficial is not a bad thing but something that can only enrich our lives.

In the upcoming weeks, as I attempt to tackle new subjects and introduce new ways of thinking, I encourage feedback and I encourage those who wish to challenge my ideas with ideas and viewpoints of their own.

Dialogue is a wonderful thing and something I welcome. I leave you this week with a quote from a rather obscure movie with Kevin Kline and Hayden Christensen called "Life as a House."

"Change can be so constant that you don't even feel a difference until there is one. It can be so slow that you don't know that your life is better or worse until it is, or it could just blow you away - make you something different in an instant."

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# UTM student begins journey to serve his country

**Lucas DuRall**  
Staff Writer

Every day thousands of Americans serve our country and fight for the freedoms that we cherish and sometimes take for granted.

Thomas Fulcher, a senior Public Relations major, is going to do his job and serve his country at war. Fulcher has been a Marine now for a few years and

does not regret his decision on joining at all. The service that he and his colleagues provide is done with nothing expected in return. Fulcher will be leaving April 12 for Camp Lejeune which is located in North Carolina. There he will be performing drills and going through extensive training to prepare him for what he is to face ahead of him. He won't actually leave for Iraq until sometime in August.

He is part of the infantry division of the Marines and his platoon is going in and relieving another unit that has been stationed there for awhile. He doesn't actually know where exactly in Iraq he will be going but he does know that it is one of the hot spots.

Being a senior, Fulcher, like any other senior, is looking forward to graduation. He is scheduled to graduate in May and will

do so. The only difference in him and the rest of the graduating class is that he won't be here to walk the line. In order for him to still receive his diploma despite his absence, he has to finish all the requirements expected of any graduating senior, only early. He has to have all those requirements done and turned in before he leaves which is over a month before he would be graduating. "The rush to

finish up all my classes has been hectic at times, but the professors have done their best to help me with finishing up my final requirements early," said Fulcher.

The UTM community has been supportive in helping Fulcher with any needs that he has and for that he is deeply grateful.

Therefore, if you see Fulcher on campus greet him, help him, and most of all, thank him.



Fulcher

For it is people like him that go and fight thousands of miles away so we can feel safe here in America.

## UTM rifle team aims to help others

**Wrenda Curd**  
Rifle Team Correspondent

The UTM rifle team traveled to Greenfield on Saturday, March 24, to help work on a Weakley County Habitat for Humanity home under construction there.

Team members were put to work pulling wire, nailing up braces underneath the house, putting siding on the house and cleaning up the yard. Rifle team members include Jaymi Collar, Robbit Burrows, Chandra Braun, Kendra King, Stacy Loyd, Heather Tillson, Kyle Beauchamp, Michelle Castle, Jennie Fladebo, Dan Rebhan and Wrenda Curd. The team is coached by Bob Beard.

"Habitat for Humanity was a meaningful experience for me because I got to help build a house for a needy family," said rifle team member Kendra King, an Animal Science major from Knoxville. "The team covered one side of the house with siding, pulled wire in the house and did many other things."

According to Habitat for Humanity International's Web site, www.habitat.org, the group "is a nonprofit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that seeks to eliminate substandard housing and homelessness from the world, and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action." Habitat builds or remodels houses in partnership



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**The UTM rifle team recently helped out Habitat for Humanity in Greenfield. The team worked very hard to help with the project house, but also had a lot of fun.**

with families in need. Construction often occurs with donated materials and labor, and the group helps each family get an

affordable mortgage on a home once it is completed. Habitat has built more than 225,000 houses around the world, according to the

Web site.

For more information on the Weakley County chapter of Habitat, e-mail habitat2@utm.edu.

general public (up to two per person), on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last, beginning Thursday, May 3, in the Office of Academic Records in the first floor of the Administration Building.

• Any tickets not claimed by 5 p.m., Friday, May 11, will be distributed to the general public at a designated area outside the Elam Center by 9 a.m. prior to the spring commencement ceremony, Saturday, May 12.

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video and audio feed of the ceremony will be provided in Skyhawk Fieldhouse for all guests without tickets. A reception will be held in the Fieldhouse after the ceremony for all in attendance.

• Graduates will receive information about tickets in the senior letter from the Office of Academic Records and in the Grand Finale Celebration letter from the Office of Alumni Relations.

## Graduation tickets required due to large class

### Staff Reports

The prospect of another record number of graduates has prompted the need for complimentary tickets for the UTM commencement, May 12. The event is slated for 11 a.m. in Elam Center.

Following are guidelines for how graduates, faculty and staff and the general public can get tickets:

• Each graduate will receive up to six complimentary tickets to admit his or her guests.

- Graduates will receive their tickets at the Grand Finale Walk on Wednesday, May 2, and later that afternoon at the Student Commencement Practice in Elam Center. Tickets for graduating students will remain available in the Office of Academic Records until 5 p.m., Friday, May 11.
- A limited number of additional complimentary tickets will be available to graduates (up to an additional six tickets) and to faculty and staff and the

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## Managing moods important part of life

**Tara Callison**  
Staff Writer

Do you manage your moods or do they manage you?

Those attending the Wednesday Forum on March 21 received some answers to that question, as well as some advice on how to ensure that you are in charge rather than letting your moods rule your life.

Sponsored by the UTM Counseling Center, the "mood" forum was advertised with signs asking, "Are you crabby, sad or worried?" Dr. Jennifer Y. Levy, center director, discussed the importance of knowing what causes your moods. She encouraged writing in a journal, drawing, or talking to a friend whenever your emotions overcome you. She said that by doing one of the above, you will

be able to easily sort out your feelings and handle them before they get out of control.

Levy also said that you should always take care of your basic needs first, adding that hunger and sleep deprivation will make people more likely to handle situations with tension rather than with calm logic.

Prevention also is a great way to handle moods, Levy said.

"Regular exercise helps to promote calming brain chemicals. Practices such as regular meditation, prayer, yoga, or certain martial arts also help you to stay calm and in control," she said.

This next one may seem a little odd, but Levy explained that thinking about your thoughts will help you to handle your moods. She used the example of someone passing by you. Just



Levy

because someone doesn't say hello to you every time he or she sees you doesn't mean the person is angry with you. Instead of thinking so negatively, Levy said, train yourself to think positively, such as maybe the person just didn't see you.

"Humor is one of the most effective mood management tools," Levy said, adding that "it is hard to laugh and cry at the same time."

Levy's final piece of advice was that you should not abuse others with your

moods. Talk to people about your problems, but don't make them feel as if your problem is their fault.

"It's not fair to make them (family and friends) 'walk on eggshells' to avoid upsetting you," Levy said.

The Counseling Center holds the Wednesday Forums weekly at 12:15 p.m. in UC 125, the back of the cafeteria. Students may bring their lunches while they listen to the scheduled topic.

The next forum is Wednesday, March 28, and the topic to be discussed is "Till Death Do Us Part." It will highlight the dangers associated with loving an abusive partner.

For more information, call the Counseling Center at 881-7720 or e-mail Levy at jlevy@utm.edu.

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## Fraternities fight to improve literacy rate for Weakley Co. kids

**Christopher Turner**  
Staff Writer

Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Pi Kappa Alpha.

This year Pike Fights was more significant than prior. Craig Allen Long, UTM alumnus and brother of Pi Kappa Alpha, died on February 10, 2007. As one of the originators of the Pike Fights and a loyal member to the fraternity, some proceeds of this year's fight will go to the Craig Allen Long Memorial Fund.

Pike Fights is an event put on every year by the brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha, where members of different fraternities within the same weight class participate in a one minute, three-round bout.

This year there were 10 bouts, with weight classes from lightweight (140-147 pounds) to heavyweight (294-393 pounds).

This year, the bouts consisted of members from Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha Order, Sigma Alpha

Alma Mater, and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

On Friday, March 23, the Epsilon Sigma chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha hosted their 18th Annual Pike Fights.

Twelve information stations were set up Tuesday, March 20 at the Field House where Martin Middle School seventh graders came to experience the annual educational activities of Brain Awareness Week.

The major activity of the UTM Brain Awareness Week includes informing young students about the workings of our most important organ and how different substances affect it. They learned about the helmet safety by making miniature ones for eggs, about effects of alcohol on our brains by wearing distortion goggles, about experiencing blindness by replicating blind spots with eye patches, and much more. Additionally, informative pamphlets, pencils, and other small items of the organization are provided to students.

About six years ago Merwin formed a partnership with this organization, bringing the awareness on campus. Not much of the event has changed throughout the six years of its existence at UTM, except a greater number of students are interested in attending.

Brain Awareness Week is one of the most important events in the Psychology Department that takes several months to arrange. In addition to department faculty, college students have greatly contributed in helping with the program and educating kids.

"We can't do without them. Some of 12 stations were run by student leaders, who volunteered to direct a table. I gave them the material, and they did the rest," said Merwin.

Merwin, the organizer of the event, has been impressed with a growing interest from students.



Martin Middle School students participated in many activities during Brain Awareness Week that was sponsored by UTM's Psychology Department.

**Election: Continued from Cover**

Brittany McGruder, representing Student Voice, is running for this office as well as her current Senate seat in the College of Business and Public Affairs. In her biography, she says that she "would like to be a part of that change not only to be a part of the history of this great campus, but also to ensure that the voice of every student is heard, both here on the campus and throughout the UT system."

Nicholas Lewis, representing YOUTM, is also running for this office and a Senate seat in SGA. Lewis has been a member of Collegiate FFA and 4-H, member of Southern Agricultural Economics Association Quiz Bowl Team, and the National Agricultural Marketing Association. Lewis says he is "willing to serve this university to the best of [his] ability to ensure that we have equal representation," according to his biography.

Katelyn Busmann is running for this office and did not claim an affiliation with one of the listed parties in her provided biography. According to this information,

she is "an active member of University Scholars Organization serving as Co-Editor in Chief for 'The Scholar,' Phi Chi Theta, Gamma Beta Phi, [the] current Director of Standards and Ethics for Alpha Delta Pi, a PEP leader for the College of Business, and serves on the Honors Disciplinary Council."

Lorie Mallari wishes to represent the campus in this position and did not specify a party affiliation in her provided biography. She has been involved with SGA for two years, both as a member of the Freshmen Council and as the current Chief of Staff, as well as serving as the Assistant Coordinator of UTM's Youth Leadership Summit and the Student Coordinator of the UTM Voter Registration Project. According to her biography, she has "enjoyed being involved" and "hopes to get the chance to represent the student body" again.

Cody Martin is the other prospective candidate for this position.

Along with voting for these candidates, students will be voting on whether or not an increase in athlet-

ic activity fees is acceptable as it will be included as a referendum on the official candidate ballots during these election days.

This referendum would allow for a \$50 increase in the athletic activity fee each semester in the hopes of generating more "equitable funding for operating budgets, team travel and recruiting," according to an email sent from Orr. Also in this email, the increase in funds would allow for an "approximate generation of \$582,000 that would help address the funding inequality between UT Martin and other Ohio Valley Conference members."

In the event that the student body was to vote for this referendum to pass, the Chancellor staff will meet and have discussions on the next plan of implementing this funding increase, according to Orr.

"Chancellor Dunagan has told me if students vote not to pass this referendum, then it will not be increased this year. Athletics can bring this from the next year if they want to," Orr said.

Currently, David Taylor is serving as the interim stu-

dent organization coordinator after Laura Humphrey vacated the position in February.

**Senate: Continued from Cover**

there will be Student Life-sponsored student forums regarding the search for a student organization coordinator. David Belete, assis-

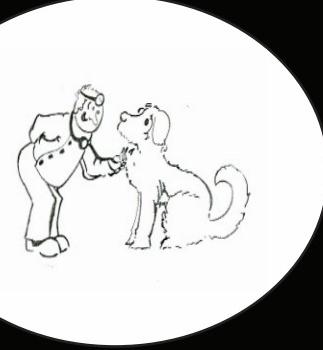
tant vice chancellor of student affairs, is heading up the search.

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1:18 p.m., March 19  
 Moody St.

Stevee N. Pentecost was issued a citation for failure to stop. City Court.

7:24 p.m., March 19  
 Cooper

Report of a student that had fainted. Officer and emergency personnel responded. Subject was treated at the scene and refused transport.

9:25 a.m., March 21  
 Lot 18

Vehicle towed due to excessive parking citations.

10:07 a.m., March 21  
 Browning

Subject reported damage to their vehicle. Investigation continues.

2:23 p.m., March 21  
 Lot 2

Vehicle towed due to excessive parking citations.

12:06 a.m., March 22  
 Lot 14

Andrew W. Lindsey and Cory H. Newsom were referred to Student Affairs to be placed on the first offenders list for alcohol violation.

11:22 a.m., March 22  
 University St.

Jessica D. Kirby was issued a citation for registration violation. City Court.

12:29 p.m., March 22  
 University Center

Subject reported being harassed. Officer referred subjects to Student Affairs.

4:36 p.m., March 22  
 Browning Circle

Traffic accident involving two vehicles.

1:23 a.m., March 23  
 Lot 9

Abbie J. Williams, Lauren E. Smith and Jaclyn M. Climer were issued citations for violation of drinking age law. General Sessions Court.

8:28 a.m., March 23  
 Lot 15

Vehicle towed due to excessive parking citations.

11:20 a.m., March 23  
 Cooper

Report of a fire alarm sounding. Officers and MFD responded. The cause was determined to be burnt food. The alarm was reset.

12:16 p.m., March 23  
 Cooper

Report of a subject having a seizure. An officer and emergency personnel responded. Subject was transported to the hospital by EMS.

9:16 p.m., March 23  
 Elam Center

Daniel S. Ferguson was issued a citation for violation of drinking age law. General Sessions Court.

1 p.m., March 24  
 Heating Plant

Dewey R. Hayes was issued a citation for theft. General Sessions Court.

1:42 p.m., March 24  
 Fines Arts

Report of damage to university property. Report on file.

3:06 a.m., March 25  
 Lot 1

Jason L. Coleman was issued a citation for a stop sign violation. City Court.

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**Sigma Tau Delta**

Sigma Tau Delta is hosting its first Spelling Bee on April 5. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Entry forms are available in the English Department from 8 a.m. to noon during the week. Entry fee is \$5/person or \$15/team of four. March 30 is the last day to enter. The grand prize winner will receive a cash prize. Please contact Ashley Ragon for further information at [ashragon84@yahoo.com](mailto:ashragon84@yahoo.com).

**Open Forum Bible Study**

The Spring Forum is exploring this semester's topic: The Gospel of Salvation & The Power of Christ. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in UC 209. Everyone is invited to attend these meetings.

**BeanSwitch**

BeanSwitch meetings are held every Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in HU 209 (Writing Center).

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If you are a psychology major or minor with an overall GPA of 3.0 and a psychology GPA of 3.2, then consider joining. As long as you have had 9 hours of psychology classes and you are currently enrolled in a psychology class, then you are in! Pick up an application in the psychology department at the end of the hall on the third floor.

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Talk Time is an informal opportunity for students to practice their conversational skills in a

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The UTM Allies gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and straight organization meets every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. in Room 102 of the Sociology Building. Everyone is invited to come and help us support safety and inclusiveness for all people on campus.

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There will be a SDA meeting at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28 in the MRA room for all SDA members and any prospective members.

**SAC Event**

SAC presents comedian Eric O'Shea in the "909" Comedy Series at 9:09 p.m. tonight in Watkins Auditorium.

**The Old Maid & The Thief**

The Department of Music presents "The Old Maid & The Thief" at 7:30 p.m., April 14 and 3 p.m. April 15 in the Harriet Fulton Theatre. Admission is \$3. Children under 12 admitted free.

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## Artists' hard work pays off in exhibits

Allie T. Thomas  
Editorial Assistant

Months of preparation led to the March 20 opening senior art exhibits in Fine Arts from Studio Art and Graphic Design majors Meghan Green and Patrick Fulwood.

As many as 150 people gathered in the lobby of Fine Arts on opening night to observe art displays ranging from Green's candlelit dinner setting to the recorded music of Fulwood.

Since September, Green, 21, of Tullahoma, said she has been preparing for her exhibit and, as with Fulwood or Dyer, their work has been largely directed toward the exhibit since they were freshmen.

"The arts are a great outlet for me," explains Green in her art statement. Through her art, she incorporates her love of photography with her skills in design and after graduating, she is looking to catch the eyes of advertising agencies based in Nashville. She is thankful to her friends and family also, who have been supportive of her and have directly helped with various pieces of design.

Graphic Design majors will no longer be required to display their art because there are too many art students who have to display their work, and not enough time to host that of graphic design majors.

Fulwood's art is largely reflective around Heaven and Hell and the choices made

to reach each. Throughout his work, a dark tower represents Hell and a rose symbolizes Heaven. Much of his art as well is inspired by writers such as T. S. Eliot and Thomas Wolfe.

"Art is my whole life," says Fulwood, "but I don't want to be dependent on it to survive." Upon graduating, he plans to continue working for the United States Postal Service and paint in his spare time.

The exhibits will be on display until April 2.



This is one of the pieces showcased at the current senior art show, running until April 2.

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The Pacer

## Captain America is dead!

After 60 years, one of America's most beloved comic characters has been killed, perhaps for good this time

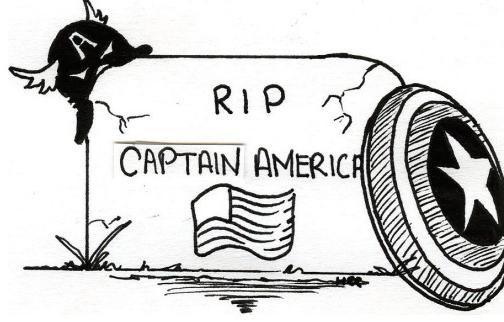
Danika Parris  
Staff Writer

After close to 60 years in print, Marvel Comics has killed off Steve Rogers, a.k.a. Captain America, one of its most famous and beloved superheroes among an already controversial story line, "Civil War," which is pitting the heroes of Marvel's universe against one another.

Captain America first appeared in 1941, just as the United States entered World War II. He was a symbol of American strength and resolve in fighting the Axis powers, and later Communism. As originally conceived by creators Joe Simon and Jack Kirby, Rogers was a man born before the Great Depression in a very different America. He disappeared after the war and reappeared time and time again, most recently in the Marvel timeline.

The birth and death of Captain America is viewed from different perspectives. Comic book lovers and people familiar with the infamous Captain America believe that his recent death is perfect for the evolution of American faith at this present time.

"Captain America was a representative of the American pride and faith in its country. When his character was born in 1941 during WWII, he came to represent the way Americans felt at that particular time. Americans had great faith in their country and were very patriotic in terms of how they supported their country. His death in 2007 symbolizes the way some Americans feel right now. Some people have lost faith in their government and in some ways let



their patriotism 'die.' Captain America represents how traditional 'Americanism' had come and gone, due to the corruption of government officials and so-called leaders," said Brian Crawford, junior Graphic Design major.

Recently in the comic series, Rogers, also known as Captain America, was to stand trial for defying a superhero registration law passed after a hero's tragic mistake causes a 9/11-like event. Rogers eventually surrenders to the police and is later gunned down as he climbs the courthouse steps.

Even though Captain America has died, one has to wonder if he is really gone forever.

Comic book characters have routinely died, only to be resurrected when necessary to story lines. Joe Quesada, Marvel editor-in-chief, agrees, but said times are different now.

Maybe the American faith will be restored as the government officials evolve in the upcoming years and Captain America will resurface, or maybe he will indeed be gone forever.

## Sixteen Minutes: Part VIII



Stephen Outten  
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People came and went as the party continued into the late hours of the night. I paced myself at the bar, having learned from experience that more fun would be had while I was cognizant than if I were passed out. In and out of my vision darted Anna, running over to hug me every now and then before vanishing off to a corner with her friends doing God-knobs-what.

When different people would approach me, I would make up various professions for myself, sometimes dropping the name of a famous but seldom-seen director or producer. All in all, it was shaping up to be a fun night.

Until James made his way up to the lounge. How he got in, or how he managed to find Anna, was beyond me. But there he was, no longer dressed in his Army greens, but wearing jeans and a button-up. From

the quick glance I threw to him before going to find Anna, I could see why she would have wanted to marry him. He was quite dashing, with an almost princely quality to him. For a brief instant, I actually questioned why she had left him. Anna hadn't gotten to that part of the story yet.

She was huddled over a magazine with whom I assumed were her model friends. "Anna," I said, gently grabbing her arm. She turned laughing and threw her arms around me. "Hi, Ethan! Like Hawke, but not the bird!" She let out a tremendous giggle, and her friends joined in.

"Anna, we need to go," I tried again, hoping that I could somehow cut through the haze of her inebriation. "James is here."

"He came?" she cried, her face falling. "What do you mean?"

"I didn't think he'd come!" she cried, showing me her phone to illustrate her point. She had texted him, asking him to come.

"Anna," a deep voice behind me said. "Who is this guy?"

I already knew who it was. I didn't have to turn and look. But for some reason, my morbid curiosity got the best of me, forcing me to see what fate had thrown into my path.

Jeans, check. Button-up, check. Princely face, distorted and angry and trained to kill by the U.S. government. Check.

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## UTM Dance Ensemble 'Shapes' up for its spring performance

Christopher Turner  
Staff Writer

Put the UTM Dance Ensemble, a couple of theatre majors, and a couple of students together and what do you get? A performance that words can hardly describe.

On Sunday the UTM Department of Visual and Theatre Arts presented the Dance Ensemble's spring performance titled "Shape Shifting, Sound Sifting."

The UTM Dance Ensemble was the first act of the evening as they performed a piece choreographed by UTM's Claudia Morris titled "Tarantella." A dance originating in Taranto, Italy was brought to Martin, as the UTM Dance Ensemble graced the stage with tambourines and refined dance moves.

Next, the students from Memphis' Craigmont Middle School Dance Ensemble took the stage and dazzled the audience as they performed "A Tribute to the Soul." A performance that had a

collaboration of gospel interpretation and folk dance, the young performers proved that there is no age limit on the appreciation of art as they performed at a level of excellence.

"Metamorphoses," a performance which was created by UTM's English professor Leslie LaChance, was performed by UTM Dance Ensemble.

"In Grey (Growth, Gracious, and Genuine)" a piece choreographed by UTM's Contemporary Dance instructor Nadia Beard, brought a sensual yet soulful feel to the dance performance. Nastassia Orr and Jerry Snipes performed to Jamie Foxx as they performed a contemporary dance piece.

The performances continued throughout the evening with a series of other performances: "In Sergeant's Arms," "The Summons of Colors, A Soulful Ballet," "Spectrum," and "5 Classical Ballet Variations" concluded the spring performance of "Shape Shifting, Sound Sifting."



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## From the Geek Corner

### Skype not quite dead

For once I love a good correction.

Maybe after this I will learn to stop talking about Skype.

After being corrected in an e-mail from Mike Abney, director of ITS Technical Services and Telecommunications, and after talking to Ken Blankenship, ITS senior systems analyst, I learned that the Skype program has been placed under "bandwidth restriction" for staff accounts — which I use at work.

This means that students can in fact use Skype in their apartment or dorm, as I found out this weekend. While this doesn't help me, per se, in communicating while at work, it is still useful outside the office.

There is, however, still a problem for people interested in starting to use Skype: the address www.skype.com is blocked by the Barracuda Webfilter. New users will have to download the program elsewhere and then install it on their computer.

In the process of coping with the grief of losing Skype, Mike Abney rec-



**Matt Cook**  
Technical  
Editor

**Students can in fact use Skype in their apartment or dorm, as I found out this weekend.**

ommended trying Gizmo Project for VOIP and alternative messaging.

G i z m o , while incapable of video conferencing, still offers features like freevoicemail that Skype doesn't offer or charges a fee to use.

The interface is similar to that of Skype, but

when a friend and I went to test its messenger service she discovered that the Mac version of Gizmo never signed her in to the Gizmo network.

After repeated attempts, we gave up on Gizmo — at least for the time being — and tried Skype once more. Low and behold, Skype worked for us, on both Windows XP and Mac OS X platforms.

Now that the mystery has been solved, check out some of the other news from technology this week.

### Headphones in all shapes and sizes

**Thomas Fulcher**  
Staff Writer

So you just bought that new cool MP3 player or you downloaded some tunes on your phone. Now what are you going to listen to it with?

You go to the store, look in the electronics and can't make heads or tails over what kind of headphones are going to suit you. There are basically three types of headphones: ear buds, open air, and closed air.

First, there are the ear buds. More than likely when you bought your portable player these are what came with it. You usually either place them inside or clip them on your ear. These types of headphones are widely used by people on

the go listening to portable music players and offer the greatest degree of portability out of all the different styles of headphones.

The ear buds offer good external noise reduction, however sound quality is usually not as good as the quality which can be found in many of the other types of headphones.

The open air headphones also offer a good degree of portability and are generally used with portable players. The term "open air" refers to the back of the headphones; they are not closed off or sealed around the ears as closed air headphones are.

While the noise reduction isn't as great as with the other types, the sound quality and portability

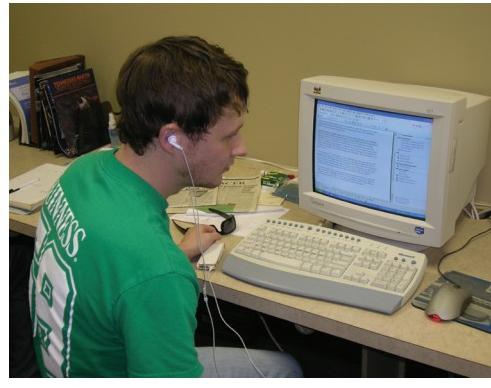
make them popular with many music enthusiasts. These headphones come in a number of different styles from sleek, sporty behind-the-head models to more traditional over-the-top of the head models.

Closed air headphones are those that enclose your whole ear. These offer the best sound quality with the greatest noise reduction; however, they are also the largest of the group and have limited portability.

This type of headphone is best suited for home usage.

Now that you know the basic difference in the options out there, how do you know what to spend on a pair? The prices of headphones have a huge range from a few dollars to a few thousand dollars.

Below, one of only 500 Audio-Technica closed ear headphones made with Connolly Leather.



Left, Zane Gresback sports the famous white earbuds that come standard with every Apple iPod.



Right, open ear headphones like these by HP are the portable alternative to earbuds.

### Quizlet.com: End of flashcards?

**Jay Baker**  
Assist. News Editor

Quizlet.com claims to be the end of flashcards ... and that may well be true. It allows you to create your own digital flashcards.

Once you have made a "set" of flashcards, Quizlet gives you three ways to learn your terms. First, you familiarize yourself with the terms by simply looking through them, term, definition and all.

Then Quizlet goes through your set, flashing cards and prompting you to type in the correct term. It remembers which ones you get wrong, too, and goes back over them at the end of the session. After you have completed those, Quizlet creates a custom test with your choice of written, matching, multiple choice and true/false questions.

In addition to letting you

**Quizlet**

create sets, Quizlet gives you the ability to create groups. This means that you can share your sets with everyone else in the class (and they can share theirs with you). This could be put to great use by, say, having everyone in the class each put in the vocabulary for one chapter. Then, with a minimal amount of effort, everyone could study. To throw in a bit of competitive spirit, Quizlet even posts the top scoring members of the group.

Quizlet is well designed and all the features are fairly easy to use. Some features of the groups seem

counter-intuitive at times, but it should be nothing to keep your average Internet user at bay. Also, it would be great if Quizlet incorporated a wiki aspect for taking and sharing notes.

Despite these shortcomings, Quizlet obviously can be a beneficial piece of your studying habits: it is always ready to go over your flashcards with you (unlike your friends sometimes, who need to sleep and eat) and it won't cheat and hold the card in front of a light just right like you might do when studying alone. Give this one a try before your next vocabulary test.

### Viacom to YouTube: We're lookin' at you, kid

Media corp. sues YouTube's parent company, Google, for \$1 billion.

**Danika Paris**  
Staff Writer

In the midst of ongoing technological evolution, the unexpected merging of companies and introduction of new products has also seen lawsuits surfacing.

In the last few weeks, Viacom, an American media conglomerate, has had issues with copyright and filed suit against YouTube and its parent company, Google.

Viacom is a company that has its hands tied up with several companies. They are associated with cable and satellite television networks such as MTV and BET and movie production with Paramount Pictures and DreamWorks movie studios.

In February, 2007, Viacom ordered copyrighted video clips to be taken off of the video sharing service, YouTube, due to claims of no compensation for the violation of their own copyright. Of the 160,000 takedown notices sent to YouTube, only 60-70 non-infringing videos were erroneously removed under the auspices of copyright infringement.

On March 13, Viacom filed a \$1 billion lawsuit against Google and YouTube alleging massive copyright infringement and alleging that users frequently uploaded

copyrighted material to YouTube - enough to cause a loss of revenue for Viacom and a gain in advertisement revenue for YouTube.

Some view Viacom as conflicted since Viacom's own iFilm property has been displaying others' copyrighted works without compensation and permission as well. However, according to the company, video uploaded to iFilm is "screened by iFilm employees prior to posting, to ensure that copyrighted, pornographic or other restricted content is not posted to the site."

In its suit, Viacom is asking for implementation of similar screening by YouTube. The suit, filed in the U.S. District Court in the Southern District of New York, seeks an injunction prohibiting both companies from further infringement.

YouTube, on the other hand, believes it has done nothing wrong. YouTube, via a Google spokesperson, said it believed it had respected the rights of copyright holders.

As of now, the two parties remain in court, and the fate of YouTube has yet to be determined. Viacom believes that they must continue with the suit "to prevent Google and YouTube from continuing to steal value from artists and to obtain compensation for the significant damage they have caused."

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## Skyhawk tennis teams hit ball, books with equal aggression

Rachel Rogers  
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The Skyhawk men and women's tennis teams both fell to Eastern Illinois University this past Saturday. But that isn't about to deter them.

"Our women's team has won the past two OVC championships," says tennis coach Dennis Taylor. "We've lost a lot of leaders, but we still have a lot of talent, and will probably finish in the top three teams. There is a chance that we can will the championship again this year, but it will take a lot of luck."

The men's team isn't much different. They haven't won a championship since the teams became Division I, but Taylor says this team is the strongest since he began coaching. "They usually finish in the top half, and I see no reason why we won't finish like that this year as well."

Taylor explains that the teams actually have two chances of winning. "There is the conference champion, which goes to the team who has the best overall record. The top six schools go on to the OVC championship, then the winner of that can advance to the NCAA Championship."

But tennis isn't just about, well, tennis.

"The players are students as well," says Taylor. "This is an institute of higher learning. The players need to add to the university. They don't just come here to play tennis. A high GPA is something that they all strive for."

And they achieve it. The men's team won the Commissioner's Honor Roll, meaning they had the most players on the honor roll in the OVC.

One thing that you might notice about the tennis team is that there are a lot of names on there that you might have a hard time pronouncing. The number of international students who play on the tennis teams is something that Taylor is proud of.

"These players are some of the best in the world," he says. "If you're not in the top percent in your country,



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Mary Beth Gunn is one of several UTM tennis players who excels both on the court and in the classroom.

you probably couldn't make the team. Many of these students have been practicing day and night since they were young."

Again, there is more to this than just tennis. "This really helps them learn. They must complete everything that the Americans do and are required to speak English around the team."

As for the few Americans on the team, they might find it a little bit more difficult. "It usually takes about a year for the Americans to get up to the top level," says Taylor.

One of those Americans is Mary Beth Gunn, a junior History/English major from Shelbyville.

"I sent out letters to different schools when I was still in high school," says Gunn. "Coach Taylor invited me to come here. I did a walk-on when I was a freshman and have been playing ever since."

Gunn also says it's good to have so many international students on the team. "It's a great way to learn about other cultures."

When asked about the chances of winning this year, Gunn said "We don't have any seniors this year, so that makes it a little harder. But we know what it takes to win. The women's team has won the past two championships, so there are people who are wanting to take that away from us. We also hope the other teams might be a little afraid of us."

"We really want to win this as a team," Gunn said. "Most people think tennis is an individual sport, but it's really about team unity. We're up against some good competition, and we hope to pull through in the end."

Not only is Gunn a tennis player, she's also a double major and has a job.

"I discipline myself with academics," she says. "If I have a full schedule, I prepare ahead of time. I don't have much free time, but I enjoy everything."

One of the things that's looming on the teams' horizon is the proposed athletic fee increase. "The school doesn't completely fund this program," says Taylor. "The team raises half of what they need to go and play in all of the matches. Also, the team is a close knit family. We have many graduates who turn around and send us money."

"We've beat teams who have over \$1 million more in funding than we do," explains Gunn. "We work with kids and adults to teach them tennis as a fundraiser. If the athletic fee is turned down, there will be cutbacks to what funding we already have. If the fee passes, it might be a year or so before we see anything, but at least we won't be losing anything."

"UTM is a great place to come and play tennis," says Taylor. "My recruiting budget is zero. We have other players who recommend people to our program. It takes a lot of focus to play. The teams practice every day, and are gone nearly every weekend. But it's one of the best places to come and play."

## Cool, calm closer has place in record books

Zane Gresback  
Assistant Sports Editor

Skyhawk senior pitcher Chadwick Cameron has the size. He has the arm strength. He also has the confidence and experience needed to be successful at the college level.

What Cameron has that separates him from most baseball players is his calm demeanor and expressionless approach to his daily duties. That is what has made him tie the career saves record at UTM and has made him the perfect role model for his teammates and younger players. Despite taking a loss this weekend in the OVC conference-opening series vs. Southeast Missouri State, Cameron knows more opportunities will arise for him to do his job.

In any pressure-filled situation, emotion and weakness

need to be suppressed  
**Skyhawk senior closer Chadwick Cameron tied Frank Perez's career mark of eight saves against IPFW on March 17.**



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in order to remain calm to perform at the highest level. Emotion also needs to be controlled after failure. That is a lot easier said than done.

Baseball players are naturally taken with displaying emotion when they fail, seemingly hoping to show the entire world that mistakes are unacceptable and that the game means that much. Whether it is hurling a bat, slamming a glove, or kicking every possible inanimate object seen in the dugout, baseball players unleash anger very openly and without consideration of consequence. Chadwick Cameron does not need to act in such a manner when he fails. He accepts the situation for what it is and uses it as motivation to be better the next time. His confident swagger never diminishes. That is the makeup of a perfect closer.

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### Job Announcement

### The Position of Recreation Supervisor

The Office of Campus Recreation is seeking qualified candidates for the position of Recreation Supervisor. The position requires evening and weekend recreation supervision of the Elam Center, Intramural Sports supervision, Fitness Center supervision, assistance with the promotion of the various sports and recreational programs, and management and supervision of the "Rec Check". The candidates may apply for the position in their sophomore year, but must be classified as a Junior upon their first day of work; must have a minimum of a 2.25 G.P.A.; have a demonstrated appreciation and knowledge of various sport and recreation activities; and proven human relation skills. Preferred qualifications would include CPR and First Aid certifications, Lifeguard Training certification, officiating certifications in soccer, basketball, softball, and volleyball.

Application can be picked up in the Office of Campus Recreation and are due by April 3rd. Interviews will take place April 10-12

## Softball spoils Golden Eagles' perfect league mark in salvaging weekend series

### UTM Sports Information

After coming so close in game one of the series with Tennessee Tech, the Skyhawks were able to post a 2-1 win over Tennessee Tech and hand the Golden Eagles their first loss in Ohio Valley Conference play. UTM's Kara Harper tossed seven innings and allowed only two hits to the powerful Tennessee Tech lineup to collect her sixth win of the season. The Skyhawks record improved to 14-18 overall and 2-4 in the OVC. The Golden Eagles fell to 29-11 on the year and 7-1 in conference.

Unlike the first two games of the series, the Skyhawks were able to post an early lead on the Golden Eagles. With a mix of small ball and capitalizing on Golden Eagle mistakes the Skyhawks' Savannah Roberts was able to score the first run of the game in the second inning. Roberts reached on a single to center field and was advanced to second by a Megan Williams sacrifice. Roberts then advanced to third on a wild pitch by Golden Eagle ace Bonnie Bynum. With Roberts at third, Ashley Benbow laid down a hit to the short stop that allowed Roberts to slide into home just under the tag of Tennessee Tech catcher Stephanie Fischer.

Tennessee Tech answered the Skyhawk run in the fourth inning when Katie Speiser



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Senior second baseman Fallon Lowery prepares to return the ball to the mound during Sunday's 2-1 win over Tennessee Tech. The win avoided a sweep at the hands of the Golden Eagles, who won the first two games of the series. The Skyhawks play host to Morehead State at Bettye Giles Field this weekend.

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led the inning off with a shot down the left field line that just cleared the out field wall and knotted the score at one apiece.

In the bottom of the fifth inning, Benbow legged out a triple to center field giving her five on the year to lead the OVC. Greer Long laid down a sacrifice bunt to score Benbow from third and give the Skyhawks a 2-1 lead.

In the seventh inning UTM found itself in a familiar situation; up one run in the last inning with a chance to knock off the conference leader. Faced with the same situation in game one, the Skyhawks watched Tech launch a game tying homerun to left field. On this day though, Harper was able to strike out Beth Boden who leads the OVC in home runs and connected for two during game one Saturday. The win over Tennessee Tech was the first for UTM since an 8-3 win in Cookeville during the 2005 season.

"Kara [Harper] pitched a great game for us, she is becoming one of the most dominate pitchers on our team" said Skyhawk head coach Donley Canary. "Tennessee Tech is a great team that has beaten some of the best teams in the country this year. We were able to come close and hang with them in the first two games and got it done today."

The Skyhawks will step out of conference play Wednesday when they travel for an in-state rivalry game at the University of Memphis. The Skyhawks swept Memphis in Martin last year during the Lady Tigers inaugural season of softball. UTM will make its first appearance in Lady Tigers Stadium at 5 p.m. for the first game of a scheduled double header.

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"I love being a closer," said Cameron. "I get to relax and enjoy the game until the ninth inning when it's my time to dominate." Cameron is currently tied with Frank Perez as UTM's all-time saves leader with eight. Perez played for UTM 20 years ago, proving that saves are a hard commodity in the game of Division I baseball that is increasingly more offensive oriented. Cameron earned his second and record-tying save of the young 2007 season in a 4-1 Skyhawk win over Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW).

The most dominant closers in Major League Baseball are known for that one particular out-pitch that seems unhittable. Whether it is Trevor Hoffman's change-up or Francisco Rodriguez's

slider, a closer has a favorite pitch to get hitters out with. "Right now it is my split-finger fastball," Cameron said when asked what the best pitch in his repertoire is.

Cameron, a Toronto, Ontario native, came to UTM via Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College along with three current Skyhawk teammates. Seniors Chad Green, Jason Hockaday, and Ryan Rockholz began their college careers with Cameron and all have formed a tight bond over four seasons.

When asked if he is the best closer in the conference, Cameron said, "No doubt. There isn't anyone in the OVC that can close out a game like me." Whether he is the best or not, he certainly displays the best emotion.

## UTM rodeo set for April 12-14

### UTM Sports Information

UTM will host its 39th Annual Spring College Rodeo Thursday-Saturday, April 12-14 in the Ned Ray McWherter Agricultural Complex.

The first performance, including both timed and rough stock events, start at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. The timed events include tie-down roping, steer wrestling and team roping and for the men and barrel racing, breakaway roping and goat tying for the women. The rough stock events include bareback, saddlebronc and bull riding.

Tickets to Thursday night's performance are free to the first 500 UTM students and \$5 at the door for everyone else. At the performance, spectators can register for a chance to win a new Dodge truck and a chance to toss a horseshoe for a new MTD riding lawnmower. Weakley County 4-H Mounted Drill Team will perform before the performance.

Friday night's Martin Paving Company performance, starts at 7:30, will feature all timed and rough stock events as well and registration for the chance to win the truck will continue.

If no winner of the lawnmower was determined Thursday, a second drawing and toss will occur.

Saturday's events get started early with the Junior Mr. and Miss Rodeo pageant at 9 a.m. in the tents in front of the football building. Kid's Cowboy Time takes place from 10-11 a.m. with free barbecue plates and bluegrass music to follow.

The Edward Jones Investment Celebrity Scholarship Auction starts at 12:30 p.m. and includes items from NASCAR drivers, actors and actresses, and tack, feed and other Western gear. All proceeds go to the UTM Rodeo Scholarship Fund.

The Vanderbilt Sports Medicine Championship Finals starts at 7:30 p.m. and the top 10 Ozark Region NIRA contestants from the previous nights' performances will compete in each of the events.

The UTM rodeo team is the only collegiate rodeo program in Tennessee. The men's team has advanced to the College National Finals Rodeo 33 consecutive times. Seven men have won individual CNFR titles in UTM history. The UTM cowboys have won the Ozark Region 26 of the past 32 years.

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